customer, including but not limited to a decision relating to the following:

- (i) Whether to offer clearing services and activities to a particular customer;
- (ii) Whether to accept a particular customer for the purposes of clearing derivatives;
- (iii) Whether to submit a customer's transaction to a particular derivatives clearing organization;
- (iv) Whether to set or adjust risk tolerance levels for a particular customer;
- (v) Whether to accept certain forms of collateral from a particular customer; or
- (vi) Whether to set a particular customer's fees for clearing services based upon criteria that are not generally available and applicable to other customers of the swap dealer or major swap participant.
- (2) Each swap dealer and major swap participant shall create and maintain an appropriate informational partition, as specified in section 4s(j)(5)(A) of the Act, between business trading units of the swap dealer or major swap participant and clearing units of any affiliated clearing member of a derivatives clearing organization to reasonably ensure compliance with the Act and the prohibitions specified in paragraph (d)(1) of this section. At a minimum, such informational partitions shall require that no employee of a business trading unit of a swap dealer or major swap participant shall supervise, control, or influence any employee of the clearing unit of any affiliated clearing member of a derivatives clearing orga-
- (e) Undue influence on counterparties. Each swap dealer and major swap participant must adopt and implement written policies and procedures that mandate the disclosure to its counterparties of any material incentives and any material conflicts of interest regarding the decision of a counterparty:
- (1) Whether to execute a derivative on a swap execution facility or designated contract market; or
- (2) Whether to clear a derivative through a derivatives clearing organization
- (f) All records that a swap dealer or major swap participant is required to maintain pursuant to this regulation shall be maintained in accordance with

Commission Regulation §1.31 and shall be made available promptly upon request to representatives of the Commission and to representatives of the applicable prudential regulator, as defined in 7 U.S.C. 1a(39).

§ 23.606 General information: availability for disclosure and inspec-

- (a) Disclosure of information. (1) Each swap dealer and major swap participant shall make available for disclosure to and inspection by the Commission and its prudential regulator, as applicable, all information required by, or related to, the Commodity Exchange Act and Commission regulations, including:
- (i) The terms and condition of its swaps:
- (ii) Its swaps trading operations, mechanisms, and practices;
- (iii) Financial integrity and risk management protections relating to swaps: and
- (iv) Any other information relevant to its trading in swaps.
- (2) Such information shall be made available promptly, upon request, to Commission staff and the staff of the applicable prudential regulator, at such frequency and in such manner as is set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act, Commission regulations, or the regulations of the applicable prudential regulator.
- (b) Ability to provide information. (1) Each swap dealer and major swap participant shall establish and maintain reliable internal data capture, processing, storage, and other operational systems sufficient to capture, process, record, store, and produce all information necessary to satisfy its duties under the Commodity Exchange Act and Commission regulations. Such systems shall be designed to produce the information within the time frames set forth in the Commodity Exchange Act and Commission regulations or upon request, as applicable.
- (2) Each swap dealer and major swap participant shall establish, implement, maintain, and enforce written procedures for the capture, processing, recording, storage, and production of all

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information necessary to satisfy its duties under the Commodity Exchange Act and Commission regulations.

(c) Record retention. All records or reports that a swap dealer or major swap participant is required to maintain pursuant to this regulation shall be maintained in accordance with Commission Regulation §1.31 and shall be made available promptly upon request to representatives of the Commission and to representatives of applicable prudential regulators.

§23.607 Antitrust considerations.

- (a) No swap dealer or major swap participant shall adopt any process or take any action that results in any unreasonable restraint of trade, or impose any material anticompetitive burden on trading or clearing, unless necessary or appropriate to achieve the purposes of the Commodity Exchange Act.
- (b) Consistent with its obligations under paragraph (a) of this section, each swap dealer and major swap participant shall adopt policies and procedures to prevent actions that result in unreasonable restraint of trade, or impose any material anticompetitive burden on trading or clearing.

§ 23.608 Restrictions on counterparty clearing relationships.

No swap dealer or major swap participant entering into a swap to be submitted for clearing with a counterparty that is a customer of a futures commission merchant shall enter into an arrangement that:

- (a) Discloses to the futures commission merchant or any swap dealer or major swap participant the identity of a customer's original executing counterparty;
- (b) Limits the number of counterparties with whom a customer may enter into a trade:
- (c) Restricts the size of the position a customer may take with any individual counterparty, apart from an overall limit for all positions held by the customer with the swap dealer or major swap participant:
- (d) Impairs a customer's access to execution of a trade on terms that have a reasonable relationship to the best terms available; or

(e) Prevents compliance with the timeframes set forth in $\S1.74(b)$, $\S23.610(b)$, or $\S39.12(b)(7)$ of this chapter.

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§ 23.609 Clearing member risk management.

- (a) With respect to clearing activities in futures, security futures products, swaps, agreements, contracts, or transactions described in section 2(c)(2)(C)(i) or section 2(c)(2)(D)(i) of the Act, commodity options authorized under section 4c of the Act, or leveraged transactions authorized under section 19 of the Act, each swap dealer or major swap participant that is a clearing member of a derivatives clearing organization shall:
- (1) Establish risk-based limits based on position size, order size, margin requirements, or similar factors;
- (2) Screen orders for compliance with the risk-based limits in accordance with the following:
- (i) For transactions subject to automated execution, the clearing member shall use automated means to screen orders for compliance with the risk-based limits; and
- (ii) For transactions subject to nonautomated execution, the clearing member shall establish and maintain systems of risk controls reasonably designed to ensure compliance with the limits.
- (3) Monitor for adherence to the risk-based limits intra-day and overnight;
- (4) Conduct stress tests under extreme but plausible conditions of all positions at least once per week:
- (5) Evaluate its ability to meet initial margin requirements at least once per week;
- (6) Evaluate its ability to meet variation margin requirements in cash at least once per week;
- (7) Evaluate its ability to liquidate the positions it clears in an orderly manner, and estimate the cost of the liquidation; and
- (8) Test all lines of credit at least once per year.
- (b) Each swap dealer or major swap participant that is a clearing member of a derivatives clearing organization shall: